I would also like to see the morse code requirment dropped. I have been involved in Electronics for over 50 years and am stuck as a Technician class operator even though I have worked and operated Tracking Stations for both NASA and the DOD in all sorts of places and modes. I recently retired and would now like to proceed with my Amateur Radio Hobby and be of some service to Emergency Communications should the need be required. Thanks KG4KVZ R.Archer III